

# Retirement Application

For superannuation (regular or RetirementPlus) and termination retirement benefits

### INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) **REVIEW** and **COMPLETE** this entire **TWO-PART** application.
  - Note that **YOU** have to complete Part 1, Sections 1 through 9, as well as Part 2, Section 1, and **YOUR PAYROLL OFFICER** has to complete Part 2, Sections 2 through 5.
- 2) INVEST some time in understanding your retirement benefit options, as described in the information and worksheet included on pages iii and iv, as well as reviewing the information you provide in your application for accuracy and completeness. Please read all instructions, and your responses, very carefully. This is your application for retirement; it is a very important document. If it is incomplete, processing will be delayed; accordingly, be sure to review each section to ensure that all required information has been provided. As necessary, print your responses legibly, in ink. Do not delete any pages from this application.
- 3) **SIGN** your application as required. (Not signing in all places is a common error and causes delays—please check your application carefully!)

  Remember to **sign** your application in **FOUR** places—on pages 6, 7 (if applicable), 8 and 9. If applicable, your spouse and a witness must also sign page 9.
- 4) **ATTACH** all of your required documents.
  - The icon means that the document listed in the margin **must** be provided in order for us to process your application. For your convenience, a timeline and document checklist is provided on the next page; please be sure to use it to avoid delays in processing your application.
- 5) **FILE** your application in a timely manner.
  - We recommend that you file your application three to four months before your date of retirement, and **no earlier** than four months in advance. Please note that **if you file your application more than 60 days after your date of separation from service, your retirement date will NOT be retroactive to your resignation date. In this case, the earliest effective date of retirement you may use will be 15 days after the date we receive your signed application.**
- 6) MAKE a photocopy of all pages and attachments for your records.
- 7) **SEND** your materials to EITHER our main office OR our Western Regional office.

Middlesex, Essex, Norfolk, Bristol, Plymouth, Barnstable, Dukes, Nantucket and Suffolk (charter schools only) counties:



Retirement Application Processing Unit Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System One Charles Park Cambridge, MA 02142-1206

Berkshire, Franklin, Hampshire, Hampden and Worcester counties:



Retirement Application Processing Unit Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System 101 State Street, Suite 210 Springfield, MA 01103-2066

We will not begin processing your benefit calculation until we receive your signed and complete retirement application. If your application is incomplete, we will contact you and this may delay processing. If you have any questions about the retirement process or any of this material, please don't hesitate to contact us. We look forward to serving you in your retirement!

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YOUR RETIREMENT PROCESS TIMELINE AND DOCUMENT CHECKLIST Please use this timeline and document checklist to understand the steps that you—and we—need to take in processing your *Retirement Application*. Please note:

- The timeline is in relation to your intended date of retirement.
- Be sure to plan early and allow time for gathering your required documents.
- To fill in your dates, start with your desired date of retirement, and work backward.
- Please keep this page for your records. Use it to track the dates that you take each action, and to ensure that you submit all required documents.

When	iat j	ou subilité dil required documents.		
(in relation to your date of retirement)		Action	Your dat	es
13 months before (for RetirementPlus participants only)		Meet with Payroll Officer to establish your RetirementPlus accelerated contribution payment plan and submit your plan data to the MTRS.	/	/
5–6 months before		Go online to <b>mass.gov/mtrs</b> and download this application. If you have not estimated your potential benefits under Options A, B and C using our online estimator, please use the worksheet on pages iii and iv to understand and estimate your potential retirement benefits.	/	/
4–5 months before		Complete Part 1 of application and forward Part 2 to your Payroll Officer for completion.  Gather your required documents.	/	/
IMPORTANT NOTE		NOTE: If you do <b>not</b> submit the required documents with your application, your application will <b>not</b> be processed.		
To the extent that you complete your application onscreen and you need to submit certain documents, these boxes will automatically be checked for you.  However, please be sure to review your ENTIRE application to ensure that you submit ALL required documents.		Copy of marriage certificate (if you no longer use your maiden name or if you are selecting Option C and naming your spouse as your beneficiary)  Certified copy of your birth record*  Copy of your military discharge form DD214 (if you are Copy of your notice of termination (if you are filing for a termination retirement allowance OR if your retirement is different from the last day of the school/contract.)  Copies of your contracts/salary schedules for your 3-ysalary average period, including any pages referencing contractual language to substantiate any earnings in excess of your regular contract rates  Completed Option B beneficiary designation (p. 10) (if you are selecting Option B)  Certified copy of your beneficiary's birth record* (if you are selecting Option C)  Copy of your qualified Domestic Relations Order (if you are divorced and have such an order in effect)	our date o year) year	
		Additional sheet(s) regarding criminal offense  Voided check (if you are selecting direct deposit to a checkin  *If you submit original documents, we will return them to you.	ng accoun	t)
3–4 months before	_			
3–4 months before		Receive signed Part 2 from your Payroll officer.  Submit your application and ALL attachments to the MTRS.	/	
About one month before your first pension check		Receive notice of estimated retirement benefit and first payment information from the MTRS.	/	/
Your date of retirement			/	/
If you are retiring under  Regular plan—	r:	Receive first retirement allowance payment from the MTRS.		/
Second full month after  RetirementPlus— Fourth full month after		necesse inscrediction anowarde payment from the MITIS.	,	,

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## OVERVIEW OF OPTIONS A, B AND C

The Massachusetts Retirement Law (M.G.L. c. 32) regulates your retirement allowance and allows you to choose one of three benefit options. These options differ with regard to the amount paid and whether any benefits will be paid to someone else after your death. In brief:

Option	Monthly benefit amount	Survivor benefit
Α	Maximum allowance	None
В	Approximately 1% less than than Option A amount	One-time, lump-sum payment of balance, if any, remaining in member's annuity savings account [Note: There are no restrictions on who or how many individuals or entities may be named as beneficiary. In most cases, the annuity will be depleted in 9 to 11 years.]
С	Approximately 9–11% less than Option A amount	Monthly benefits paid to a survivor [Note: Beneficiary must be the member's parent, child, sibling, spouse or former spouse who has not remarried.]

### THE TABLES

For use with the retirement benefit estimate worksheet on page iv

NOTE: The information on pages iii and iv is provided for your reference only. If you have already estimated your potential retirement benefits under Options A, B and C using our online estimator, it is not necessary that you complete this worksheet.

## Option A age factor table Use your age on your retirement date

Age	Factor	Age	Factor	Age	Factor	Age	Factor
41	001	47		53	013	59	019
42	002	48		54	014	60	020
43		49		55	015	61	021
44	004	50		56	016	62	022
45		51		57	017	63	023
46	006	52		58	018	64	024
						65+	025

### RetirementPlus percentage table Service is in FULL years

Service	R+ %	Service	R+ %	Service	R+ %
30	12%	34	20%	38	28%
31	14%	35	22%	39	30%
32	16%	36	24%	40	32%
33	18%	37	26%		

## Option C factor table

To obtain your Option C factor, determine what your age will be on your birthday closest to your retirement date; then determine what your beneficiary's age will be on his or her birthday that is closest to your retirement date.

Your Option C factor is the number where the row and column for your ages intersect. If the combination of your ages is not listed here, please visit our web site at **mass.gov/mtrs** or contact us for the appropriate factor.

#### Beneficiary's age

	50	31	52	53	54	22	20	5/	58	39	60	01	62	63	64	05	00	67	80
50	.9509	.9528	.9546	.9565	.9583	.9601	.9618	.9635	.9652	.9669	.9685	.9700	.9715	.9730	.9744	.9758	.9771	.9783	.9796
51	.9460	.9480	.9500	.9520	.9539	.9558	.9577	.9596	.9614	.9632	.9650	.9667	.9683	.9699	.9715	.9730	.9744	.9758	.9772
52	.9408	.9429	.9450	.9471	.9492	.9512	.9533	.9553	.9573	.9592	.9611	.9630	.9648	.9665	.9683	.9699	.9715	.9730	.9745
53	.9350	.9372	.9395	.9417	.9440	.9462	.9484	.9506	.9527	.9548	.9569	.9589	.9609	.9628	.9646	.9665	.9682	.9699	.9716
54	.9287	.9311	.9335	.9359	.9383	.9406	.9430	.9453	.9477	.9499	.9522	.9544	.9565	.9586	.9606	.9626	.9645	.9664	.9682
55	.9219	.9244	.9270	.9295	.9320	.9346	.9371	.9396	.9421	.9445	.9470	.9493	.9517	.9539	.9562	.9583	.9604	.9625	.9644
56	.9146	.9173	.9199	.9226	.9253	.9280	.9307	.9334	.9360	.9387	.9413	.9438	.9463	.9488	.9512	.9536	.9559	.9581	.9603
57	.9068	.9096	.9124	.9152	.9181	.9209	.9238	.9267	.9295	.9323	.9351	.9379	.9406	.9433	.9459	.9484	.9509	.9534	.9558
58	.8984	.9013	.9043	.9073	.9103	.9133	.9163	.9194	.9224	.9254	.9284	.9314	.9343	.9372	.9400	.9428	.9455	.9482	.9507
59	.8895	.8925	.8956	.8987	.9019	.9051	.9083	.9115	.9147	.9179	.9211	.9243	.9274	.9305	.9336	.9366	.9395	.9424	.9452
60	.8800	.8831	.8863	.8896	.8929	.8963	.8997	.9031	.9065	.9099	.9133	.9167	.9200	.9233	.9266	.9299	.9330	.9361	.9392
61	.8699	.8732	.8765	.8799	.8834	.8869	.8904	.8940	.8976	.9012	.9048	.9084	.9120	.9156	.9191	.9225	.9260	.9293	.9326
62	.8592	.8626	.8661	.8696	.8732	.8769	.8806	.8844	.8882	.8920	.8958	.8996	.9034	.9072	.9110	.9147	.9184	.9220	.9256
63	.8481	.8516	.8551	.8588	.8626	.8664	.8703	.8742	.8782	.8822	.8862	.8902	.8943	.8983	.9023	.9063	.9102	.9141	.9179
64	.8364	.8400	.8437	.8475	.8513	.8553	.8594	.8635	.8676	.8718	.8760	.8803	.8846	.8888	.8931	.8973	.9015	.9057	.9098
65	.8241	.8278	.8316	.8355	.8395	.8436	.8478	.8521	.8564	.8608	.8653	.8697	.8742	.8787	.8832	.8877	.8922	.8967	.9011
66	.8113	.8151	.8190	.8230	.8271	.8314	.8357	.8401	.8446	.8492	.8539	.8585	.8633	.8680	.8728	.8775	.8823	.8870	.8917
67	.7980	.8018	.8058	.8099	.8142	.8186	.8230	.8276	.8323	.8370	.8419	.8468	.8517	.8567	.8617	.8667	.8717	.8768	.8817
68	.7840	.7879	.7920	.7962	.8006	.8051	.8097	.8144	.8192	.8242	.8292	.8343	.8394	.8446	.8499	.8552	.8605	.8658	.8711
69	.7694	.7734	.7776	.7819	.7863	.7909	.7956	.8005	.8055	.8105	.8157	.8210	.8264	.8318	.8373	.8428	.8484	.8540	.8596
70	.7542	.7582	.7624	.7668	.7713	.7760	.7808	.7858	.7909	.7962	.8015	.8070	.8125	.8182	.8239	.8297	.8355	.8414	.8473

# RETIREMENT BENEFIT ESTIMATE WORKSHEET

Use this worksheet to compare your benefits under Options A, B and C.

The example illustrates the calculations for a member who is a veteran, and who retires on June 30, 2006 under Retirement Plus at age 58 with 35 years of creditable service, an average salary of \$42,000 for his or her highest three consecutive years or last three years, whichever is greater, and a beneficiary who is age 57.

Also shown here is the member-survivor benefit payable only under Option C. This benefit is payable on a monthly basis to your beneficiary for the rest of his or her life. The monthly amount is 1/12 of the annual amount.

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		Example		//		//
Option		Option A Age Factor (see table) .018				
A	Х	Years of creditable service x 35	x		х	
		% of salary average 63%		%		%
	+	Retirement <i>Plus</i> %, if applicable* + 22%		%		%
		Allowable % of salary average** 80%		%		%
	Х	3-year salary average x \$42,000	x	\$	х	\$
		Option A annual allowance \$33,600		\$		\$
	+	Veteran's bonus*** + \$300	+	\$	+	\$
		Final Opt. A annual allowance \$33,900		\$		\$
Option		Final Opt. A annual allowance \$33,900		\$		\$
В	х	99% (1% less than Option A)**** x 99%	x	99%	x	99%
		Option B annual allowance \$33,561		\$		\$
Option		Option A annual allowance \$33,600		\$		\$
	х		x	%	x	%
		Option C annual allowance \$30,912		\$		\$
	+	Veteran's bonus + \$300	+	\$	+	\$
	_	Final Opt. C allowance \$31,212		\$		\$
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	х	2/3 (annual survivor portion) x 2/3	x	2/3	х	2/3

#### NOTES

- \* If you are participating in Retirement *Plus*, and you have 30 or more years of creditable service—at least 20 of which are teaching service with the MTRS or the State-Boston Retirement System—add 2% for each full year of creditable service over 24 years (see Retirement *Plus* Percentage table, page iii).
- \*\* Your "Allowable % of salary average" may not exceed 80 percent.
- \*\*\* If you are a wartime veteran, \$15 for each year of teaching service (up to a maximum of \$300) is added to the Option A annual allowance.
- \*\*\*\* As noted on page iii, the Option B allowance is approximately 1% less than the Option A amount. For purposes of illustration only, we have estimated the Option B amount at 1% less than the Option A amount.



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## Retirement Application, Part 1

For superannuation (regular or RetirementPlus) and termination retirement benefits

PART 1, SECTION 1			
RETIREMENT DATA	a) Type of retirement (check one)	Superannuation/Regular Superannuation/Retirementl Termination	Plus
	b) Your intended date of retirement mm/dd/yyyy		
	c) Your date of separation from service mm/dd/yyyy		
Notice of termination		Is your date of separation from set the same as the last day of your school/contract year?	Yes No
PART 1, SECTION 2	d) Have you also applied for a disability retirement?	Yes No	
APPLICANT DATA	a) Social Security numberXXX-XX-XXXX		
	b) MTRS member number, if known		Not known
	c) NameLast		
	First		МІ
Marriage certificate	d) Gender	M F	
(photocopy OK)	e) Former/maiden name, if applicable		Not applicable
Birth certificate (must be a certified copy)	f) Date of birth mm/dd/yyyy		
certifica copy,	g) Mailing addressNumber and street		
	City	State	ZIP
	h) Home phone number		
	i) Daytime phone number		ext.
Form F0001-RAP-05152006	j) E-mail, if any		
MTRS USE ONLY			
Received Required  Copy of marria	ge certificate	Date re-	ceived
Certified copy of memb Copy of memb Copies of mem	of member's birth record er's military discharge form DD214 er's notice of termination aber's contracts/salary schedules for 3-year salary average of Option C beneficiary's birth record	period	
Completed Op Copy of memb	tion B beneficiary designation er's qualified Domestic Relations Order et(s) regarding conviction of criminal offense		

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PART 1, SECTION 2	
APPLICANT DATA	k) By how many school districts are you currently employed?
Military discharge	l) Military <b>veteran</b> status (check one) Nonveteran Veteran 📝
form DD214	m) On November 1, 2003, were you married to a person who was a member of a Massachusetts
	contributory retirement system? No Yes
	If yes, on your intended date of retirement, will your spouse be retired from a Massachusetts contributory retirement system?
Marriage certificate	n) What is your expected <b>marital</b> status on your intended date of retirement? Single Single/divorced (see DRO, below)
(photocopy OK)	Single/widowed Married (provide details, below)
	Married/formerly divorced
	(see DRO, below, and provide spouse details, below) <b>NOTE</b> : Regardless of your expected marital status on your intended date of retirement, you <b>must</b> complete Section 8, Spousal acknowledgment.
	o) Spouse's name, if applicableLast
	First
	p) Spouse's gender M F
	q) Spouse's address, if differentNumber and street
	City State ZIP
	r) <b>DRO:</b> If you have ever been divorced, do you have a qualified Domestic
Qualified Domestic Relations Order (photocopy OK)	Relations Order (DRO) in effect?
	s) Alternate address: If you will be residing at an address other than the one listed at line g (for example, a summer or retirement address) during the next several months, please list it below.
	Mailing addressNumber and street
	City State ZIP
	Phone number – — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
	Dates at this address From mm/dd/yyyy
	To mm/dd/yyyy
	t) Have you ever been convicted of a
Additional sheet(s) describing offense	criminal offense involving your
Form F0001-RAP-05152006	Massachusetts public employment? No Yes 📝 Please attach additional sheet(s) to describe the offense.

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#### PART 1, SECTION 3

Salary schedule

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## FINAL AVERAGE SALARY DATA

Please report your salaries for a total of four years: **EITHER** your three highest consecutive years' salaries **OR** your last three years' salaries, **whichever three-year period is greater**, as well as your salary for the year that preceded this period (the "fourth" year). Note:

- By law, these figures cannot include any monies received on account of your notification to your school district of your intent to retire, or monies received on account of or in lieu of sick leave buyback or unused vacation.
- You must submit copies of your salary schedules from your collective bargaining agreement verifying the salaries listed here. Be sure to include any pages referencing contractual language to substantiate any earnings in excess of your regular contract rates. If you are an administrator, you must submit complete copies of your contracts for the salaries listed here.
- We will verify your salary data with your employer, and your final retirement benefit will be based on your employer's verified salary figures.

	Contrac	t year	Percentage of full-time	Total
	<b>From</b> mm/dd/yyyy	<b>To</b> mm/dd/yyyy	<b>employment</b> (For example, indicate full-time employment as 100%; half-time as 50%)	compensation
a)			%	
b)			%	
c)			%	
d)			%	

- e) Has your school district settled its contract for the current year? . . . . Yes No If no, please:
  - Be advised that changes to the current contract rate will impact your retirement allowance.
  - Send us a copy of the new contract as soon as it is settled, and be sure to include your name and Social Security number with the contract.
  - Ask your payroll officer to send us verification of the new contract rate.

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### PART 1, SECTION 4

## **CREDITABLE** SERVICE HISTORY

Your retirement benefit is based in part on the number of years of creditable service you have, so it is very important that you complete this section accurately and in full to the best of your ability. If you have any questions, please refer to our web site or call one of our offices.

a) What types of creditable service have you rendered? Please check all that apply.

Regular Massachusetts public teaching service

Out-of-state public school teaching service

Overseas dependent school teaching service

(in a school under the supervision of the United States Department of Defense)

Nonpublic school teaching service (out-of-state or in Massachusetts)

Massachusetts public school substitute, temporary or part-time teaching or tutoring service

Other Massachusetts public service (with a Massachusetts town, city, state or regional authority)

Vocational work experience for licensure/approval in a Massachusetts Ch. 74 vocational program

Pre-1975 maternity leave credit

Peace Corps service

Authorized leave of absence or a sabbatical from a Massachusetts public school [see page 5]

Active military service in the armed forces of the United States, Massachusetts National Guard or active reserves [see page 5]

b) Please list ALL of your creditable service in chronological order by employer (earliest to most recent). To ensure that we have a complete picture of your service history—and that you receive the maximum credit to which you are entitled for your eligible service—please include all of the types and periods of creditable service that you have rendered during your career, including any service which you may have purchased (or be in the process of purchasing) with the MTRS. Please note that you cannot purchase creditable service after you have retired.

Name of employer	Position title	<b>From</b> mm/dd/yyyy	<b>To</b> mm/dd/yyyy	Employment status (as a % of full-time, e.g., 50%, 100%)	Service credit status (check one) Credited   I plan to   I will not purchase purchase
1				%	
2				%	
3				%	
4				%	
5				%	
6				%	
7				%	
8				%	
9				%	
10				%	

of years of creditable service .....

If you need more space to list your creditable service, please attach additional	
sheets, and check this box to indicate that additional sheets are attached. $\ldots$	
) Please enter your <b>best estimate</b> of your total number	

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## CREDITABLE SERVICE HISTORY

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d) **If you checked "Authorized leave of absence or a sabbatical"** in Section a on page 4, please provide the following information.

Name of employer	Position title	<b>From</b> mm/dd/yyyy	<b>To</b> mm/dd/yyyy	No Partial compensation, and i		
				compensation	% of full-time compensation paid	
1					%	
2					%	
3					%	

e) If you checked "Active military service" in Section a on page 4, please provide the following information.

Type of military service	<b>From</b> mm/dd/yyyy	<b>To</b> mm/dd/yyyy	<b>Service</b> Credited	<b>credit status</b> (c I plan to purchase	heck one) I will not purchase
1					
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3					

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#### PART 1, SECTION 5

## YOUR FEDERAL TAX WITHHOLDING INSTRUCTIONS TO US

### Form W-4P

Withholding certificate for pension or annuity payments

OMB No. 1545-0415 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act notice, see IRS instructions online at <a href="https://www.irs.gov">www.irs.gov</a>.

For more information on tax withholding and the complete IRS Form W–4P, please visit the web site of the Internal Revenue Service, at www.irs.gov.

Be sure to keep a copy of this page for your records.

**Purpose:** Form W–4P is for U.S. citizens, resident aliens, or their estates who are recipients of pensions, annuities (including commercial annuities), and certain other deferred compensation. Use Form W–4P to tell payers the correct amount of federal income tax to withhold from your payment(s). You may also use Form W–4P to choose (a) not to have any income tax withheld from the payment (except for eligible rollover distributions, or payments to U.S. citizens delivered outside the United States or its possessions) or (b) to have an additional amount of tax withheld.

What do I need to do? Complete lines A through G of the Personal allowances worksheet. Access the IRS instructions below to use additional worksheets, available at <a href="www.irs.gov">www.irs.gov</a>, to adjust your withholding allowances for multiple pensions/more-than-one-income situations. If you do not want any income tax withheld, you can skip the worksheet and go directly to Federal Tax Withholding Instructions, below. SIGN this form; it is not valid unless you sign it.

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PERSONAL ALLOWANCES WORKSHEET
A Enter "1" for <b>yourself</b> if no one else can claim you as a dependent
B Enter"1" if:  You are single and have only one pension; or You are married, have only one pension, and your spouse has no income subject to withholding; or Your income from a second pension or a job, or your spouse's pension or wages (or the total of all) is \$1,000 or less
C Enter "1" for your <b>spouse</b> . But, you may choose to enter "-0-" if you are married and have either a spouse who has income subject to withholding or you have more than one source of income subject to withholding. (Entering "-0-" may help you avoid having too little tax withheld.)
D Enter number of <b>dependents</b> (other than your spouse or yourself) you will claim on your tax return
E Enter "1" if you will file as <b>head of household</b> on your tax return
F Child Tax Credit (including additional child tax credit):
■ If your total income will be less than \$54,000 (\$79,000 if married), enter "2" for each eligible child.
If your total income will be between \$54,000 and \$84,000 (\$79,000 and \$119,000 if married), enter "1" for each eligible child plus "1" additional if you have four or more eligible children
G Add line A through F and enter total here ( <b>Note</b> : <i>This may be different from the number of exemptions you claim on your tax return.</i> )
<ul> <li>complete all worksheets worksheets that apply. These worksheets are available online at <a href="https://www.irs.gov">www.irs.gov</a>.</li> <li>If you have more than one source of income subject to withholding or a spouse with income subject to withholding and your combined income from all sources exceeds \$35,000 (\$25,000 if married), see the Multiple Pensions/More-Than-One-Income Worksheet to avoid having too little tax withheld.</li> <li>If neither of the above situations applies, stop here and enter the number from line G on line 2, below.</li> </ul>
FEDERAL TAX WITHHOLDING INSTRUCTIONS Complete the following applicable lines.
1 Check here if you <b>do not want any</b> federal income tax withheld from your pension or annuity. (Do not complete lines 2 or 3.)
2 Total number of allowances and marital status you are claiming for withholding from each retirement allowance payment. (You may also designate an additional dollar amount on line 3.)
Marital status: Single Married Married, but withhold at higher "Single" rate
3 Additional amount, if any, you want withheld from each pension or annuity payment. (Note: You cannot enter an amount here without entering the number (including zero) of allowances on line 2.)
Applicant's signature Date
Name first m. last
Address (number and street, city, state, zip)

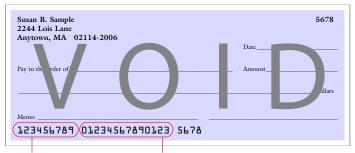
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## DIRECT DEPOSIT AUTHORIZATION

You may receive your monthly retirement allowance payments in one of two ways: in a check that is mailed to you or by direct deposit to your bank account (also known as an electronic funds transfer, or EFT). Please note:

- We strongly encourage you to receive your payment via direct deposit—it is safe and convenient, and you don't have to worry about a check being stolen or lost in the mail, or having to cash the check on your own. Over 80 percent of our retirees now receive their payments via direct deposit.

  [NOTE: Direct deposit is not available to accounts outside of the United States or in Puerto Rico.]
- You may change the way you receive your payments at any time and as often as you want during your retirement by notifying us in writing.
- In most cases, your first retirement check will be mailed to your home *even if you sign up for direct deposit*. This slight delay is to allow the State Treasury time to test your electronic funds transfer before your first direct deposit is made.
- Direct deposit statements are **not** mailed to you every month. Once your direct deposit starts, you will receive a statement in the mail detailing your monthly benefit and deductions. After this initial statement, you will receive a statement only: when there is a change in the amount of your deposit from the prior month; when we wish to use the message area in the statement stub to notify all retirees of special news; or at the end of December, when we provide you with a year-end summary of your benefits.
- If this section is left blank, we will automatically mail your checks to you at your home address.
- It is important that you always keep your address up to date with us, and that you notify us of any changes at least 30 days in advance. Whether you receive your payment by way of direct deposit or a mailed check, this is especially vital, as retirement checks and direct deposit statements will **not** be forwarded by the post office.
- If you wish to have your benefit deposited into a **checking** account, please refer to the sample check below for the location of the routing and bank account numbers. Please be sure to include a voided check with your other attachments to your retirement application.



Your 9-digit bank ABA routing number (first two digits must be 01–12 or 21–32) Your bank account number

Note: This is a sample only. Your check may be set up differently, and may not display your routing and account numbers as shown. Please contact your financial institution if you have any questions about your particular numbers.

■ If you wish to have your benefit deposited into a **savings** account, your deposit slip may have the numbers, or you can call your bank for the information. Some financial institutions have unique ABA routing and account numbers for electronic payments. To avoid any delay, verify your ABA routing and account numbers with your financial institution before completing this process.

	<ul> <li>a) Name of financial ins</li> </ul>	titution			
	b) ABA routing number	9 digits			
Voided check	c) Account type		Checking 📝		Savings
	d) Account number	No dashes or spaces			
	Applicant's signature	×		Date	
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YOUR RETIREMENT OPTION SELECTION, STATEMENT AND SIGNATURE  IMPORTANT NOTE  If you have ever been divorced, and you have a qualified Domestic Relations Order (DRO), and the terms of your DRO specify the retirement option that you must choose, please be sure to complete this section in accordance	Please select your retirement Option and provide the required information. Note:  Be sure that you have reviewed the information on our web site or on page iii of this application regarding the benefits provided by each of the three available retirement options. Please estimate your benefits using either our online estimator or the worksheet included on page iv of this application before you finalize your option selection.  Once your effective date of retirement has passed, you cannot change your retirement option, nor can you change your date of retirement. Because of this fact, it is important that you understand the retirement options that are available to you and that you make an informed decision based on your financial needs and the financial needs of your family.  If you have any questions, please contact our office.  I, the undersigned, having applied for retirement from the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System, hereby elect to receive my retirement allowance under the option selected below (check one):  Option A  Option A provides the maximum benefit allowance amount, and no survivor benefits.
Completed Option B beneficiary designation	Option B  Option B provides a benefit allowance that is approximately 1 percent less than the Option A allowance It also provides for the lump-sum payment of the remainder of the member's annuity savings account, if any, to the named beneficiary or beneficiaries. You may change your beneficiary designation at any time during your retirement by notifying us in writing. If you select Option B, you must designate your Option B beneficiary(ies) by completing Section 9 of this application.
Option C beneficiary's birth certificate (must be a certified copy)  Marriage certificate (photocopy OK)	Option C Option C Option C provides a benefit allowance that is generally 9 to 11 percent less than the Option A allowance Upon the member's death, it also provides a monthly survivor benefit payable to the named beneficiary If you are selecting Option C, you must designate your Option C beneficiary here:  Name of beneficiary

**NOTE**: Even if you do not expect to be married on your intended date of retirement, you MUST also complete Section 8, Spousal acknowledgment.

Date

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I have selected the option checked above and understand that I cannot change my option selection after

my date of retirement.

Applicant's signature

Name (please print)

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## PART 1, SECTION 8

## SPOUSAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

spouse's whereabouts a	ction a, below, and then, if applicable, your spouse meen unknown, you must complete a notarized affidaveling your spouse's last known address.							
	ving applied for retirement from the Massachusetts retirement allowance under the option selected in ply):							
I am now married to be married as of intended date of reas stated in this ap Please sign and dat section, then give the to your spouse for completion of section.	imy understanding that there is is not don't know plication. a Domestic Relations Order on file with the MTRS. Please sign and date this section, then return your entire application		I am NOT currently married and do not expect to be married as of my intended date of retirement as stated in this application. Please sign and date this section, then return your entire application to the MTRS.					
I subscribe under the best of my knowledg	penalties of perjury that the above information is to e.	rue, comp	plete and correct to the					
Applicant's signature	×	Date						
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the member named form on the same day Before completing th section, and then read estimates," above, as we Please be sure that your spouse, specific	irement option selected by the member. You must in Section a, above, cannot be your witness. The that you do; it is not necessary that your witness bis section, please see which retirement option your the explanations of the available retirement optio well as on pages iii and iv of this application and on you have read and understand the various proviscally, the benefits to which you may or may not be you guestions, do not hesitate to contact the MTR:	witness re a Notar spouse has as proour web sions of the entitle	must sign and date the ry Public. as chosen in the previous vided under "Benefit site at mass.gov/mtrs. the option selected by ed to upon his or her					
mail of the option sel- within thirty (30) days Retirement System w signature. I, the undersigned, an from the Massachuse I have read and un	If you fail to sign this Spousal acknowledgment, the MTRS will notify you within fifteen (15) days by registered mail of the option selected by your spouse and your right to sign and return the spousal acknowledgment within thirty (30) days. Failure to sign and return the Spousal Acknowledgment to the Massachusetts Teachers Retirement System within 30 days will result in your spouse's selection becoming effective without your							
I subscribe under the pe correct to the best of my	nalties of perjury that the information I have suppli knowledge.	ed in this	form is true, complete and					
Spouse's signature	×	Date						
Name (please print)		SSN						
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Witness's signature	×	Date						
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#### PART 1, SECTION 9

# OPTION B BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

Complete this section **ONLY** if you have selected **Option B** in Section 8.

If you have selected Option A or Option C, do **not** complete this section. Option B provides a benefit allowance that is approximately 1 percent less than the Option A allowance. It also provides for the lump-sum payment of the remainder of the member's annuity savings account, if any, to the named beneficiary or beneficiaries.

#### Please note:

- If you designate no one, the balance of your account remaining at the time of your death will be paid to your estate.
- You may change your Option B beneficiary designation at any time during your retirement by notifying us in writing.
- You may name more than one person or entity. If you do name more than one person, however, please be sure to indicate the percentage of your benefit that each beneficiary should receive (the total must equal 100 percent). If you fail to indicate a percentage, we will distribute the benefit equally among the beneficiaries. If the total does not equal 100 percent, the difference will be paid to your estate.

Please designate your **PRIMARY** Option B beneficiary(ies):

Name of beneficiary (if a person, indicate first, MI and last names, and address, date of birth and relationship to you)	<b>Type</b> (check one) Person Trust, estate or organization	Social Security number or tax ID XXX-XX-XXXX	% of benefit
			%
Address	Date of birth mm/dd/yyyy	Relationship to you	
			%
Address	Date of birth mm/dd/yyyy	Relationship to you	
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Total must equal 100%

In the event that the named lump-sum beneficiary(ies) named above are not alive at the time of your death, the survivor benefit, if any, will be paid to your contingent beneficiary(ies). If any of your primary beneficiaries predecease you, they are replaced by a contingent beneficiary, in the order in which you name them, below. The remaining primary beneficiaries' shares do not increase if one of them predeceases you. If there is no contingent beneficiary who is presently living, that share is paid to your estate.

Please designate your **CONTINGENT** Option B beneficiary(ies):

Name of beneficiary (if a person, indicate first, MI and last names)	<b>Type</b> (check one) Person Trust, estate or organization	Social Security number or tax ID	% of benefit
			%
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## Retirement Application, Part 2

For superannuation (regular or RetirementPlus) and termination retirement benefits

## PART 2, SECTION 1

## SERVICE AND SALARY DATA

#### Instructions to member:

Please provide your personal data and then forward these four pages **to your payroll officer** for completion of Sections 2 through 5.

Your payroll officer will then return these four pages to you for forwarding to the MTRS along with Part 1, pages 1 through 10.

NOTE: If you are employed by more than one school district on your intended date of retirement, please make additional copies of these four pages and have them completed by a payroll administrator in each of the districts in which you are employed.

a) Name of memberLast	
First	MI
b) Social Security numberXXX-XX-XXXX	
c) Type of retirement (check one)	Superannuation/Regular
	Superannuation/RetirementPlus
	Termination
d) Intended date of retirement mm/dd/yyyy	
e) Name of school district	

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO PAYROLL OFFICER

Please follow these steps:

- **Complete** Sections 2 through 5, below, and make a copy of these four pages for your records.
- If, at some later date, there is a change in the salaries reported in Section 3—either because of a retroactive contract settlement or error—please **mark the corrections** directly on a copy of this sheet, initial and date any changes and send the copy to the MTRS. If the changes resulted from a contract settlement, please forward a copy of the relevant contract language along with the corrected pages. Likewise, if the change in salaries reported in Section 3 results in a change in the current deductions listed in Section 4, please indicate, initial and date that change too.
- **Return** these four pages (Sections 1 through 5) to the member. It is then the member's responsibility to submit his or her entire *Retirement Application* to the MTRS three to four months prior to his or her effective date of retirement.

Your assistance in expediting the completion of these pages will be most appreciated!

#### PART 2, SECTION 2

### SERVICE VERIFICATION

Please report this member's service with your school department. Please indicate whether service was rendered on a full-time or part-time basis; if service was rendered on a part-time basis, please also indicate it as a percentage of full-time. If necessary, please attach additional sheets to report this service.

From (mm/dd/yyyy)	To (mm/dd/yyyy)	Full-time <b>OR</b>	Part-time, and indicate % of full-time
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For the service reported above, please report any authorized **leaves of absence** when no compensation or partial compensation was received.

From (mm/dd/yyyy)	To (mm/dd/yyyy)	No <b>OR</b> compensation	R Partial compensation, and indicate % of full-compensation	
/ /	/ /		<u>%</u>	
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#### PART 2, SECTION 3

## SALARY VERIFICATION

Please report the three (3) consecutive contract years when this member's salary was the highest.

From (mm/dd/yyyy)			T	o (mm/dd/y	ууу)	
1)	/	/		/	/	
2)	/	/		/	/	
3)	/	/		/	/	

Additionally, please report the member's contract rate for the contract year **prior** to the three years listed above.

From (mm/dd/yyyy)		To (mm/dd/yyyy) Sa		Salary	ary				
	/	/	/	/		\$			
During any of the years listed above, was any portion of the member's salary paid by Workers' Compensation?								□.,	
	oaid by Wo	rkers' Comper	isation?					□ No	∟ Yes

**Salary history**: Please report the following information for the member. If the member's last year of earnings was not a complete school year, please list that partial year and the three (3) full school years prior to it. If there are two contract rates in effect during one school year, please do

not try to average the amounts; instead, use two lines—one for each contract period—and complete columns B through G for each period. NOTE: By law, retirement deductions cannot be withheld for any monies received on account of a member's notification to his or her school department of his or her intention to retire or in lieu of sick leave or unused vacation.

A Period each salar effect during the highest salaries I Use a separate line fo	three years of isted above	B Number of days paid during period	C Number of days in contract year	D Annual contract rate for each period	E Additional salary earned for coaching, extracurricular activities or longevity	F Amounts paid for unused sick leave, early retirement incentives, bonuses or severance	G Actual salary paid (Do not include amounts listed in column F)
(mm/dd/yyyy)	(mm/dd/yyyy)	1			· ,	payments	
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#### **NOTES**

- If column B does not equal column C, but the applicant worked the entire contract year, please attach additional sheet(s) to explain why (for example, because of disciplinary reasons).
- If column G does not equal columns D plus E, please attach additional sheet(s) to explain why (for example, because of a legal issue, Workers' Compensation payments, salary lost due to misconduct or any additional agreements).

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From (mm/dd/yyyy)	To (mm/dd/yyyy)	Identify type of earning (indicate specific title of extracur	icular activity)	Amount paid	
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Were the additional earnings listed directly above			
paid under the terms of an annual contract?	N	lo	Yes (please attach the applicable sections of the contract)

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#### PART 2, SECTION 4

## CURRENT DEDUCTIONS

Please report this member's current monthly deduction and projected future deductions from the date of this application through the applicant's date of retirement.

- Indicate both the regular deduction and, if applicable, the additional 2% on earnings over \$30,000.
- If the member is participating in RetirementPlus and is paying his or her accelerated RetirementPlus cost, if any, via payroll reduction, please also indicate those monthly payments.
- Please indicate the month of the member's last payroll deduction.

Date (mm/yyyy)	Regular deduction amount	2% deduction amount, if applicable	RetirementPlus accelerated payment amount, if applicable	Final deduction (check only <b>one</b> box)
/	\$	\$	\$	
/	\$	\$	\$	
/	\$	\$	\$	
/	\$	\$	\$	
/	\$	\$	\$	
/	\$	\$	\$	

#### PART 2 SECTION 5

STATEMENT AND SIGNATURE OF SCHOOL DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL

	the applicant ever been convicted of a criminal ember's office or position?	If yes,	es No please attach of (s) to describe t	additional
Is the member's separatio	n from service related in any way to a criminal action?	· 🗆 Y	es No	
	e penalties of perjury, that the above information is additionally, I have made a copy of these pages (Paron, if necessary.			
Signature of school department official	×	Date	/	/
Name (please print)				
Title				
Phone	_			
Fax	_			
E-mail				

Please return these four pages, along with copies of all applicable contracts, to the applicant, for submittal to the MTRS. Thank you for your assistance to us and our members!